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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : National Intelligence Officer for Latin America

SUBJECT : Interagency Assessment: El Salvador Performance on Certification Issues

1. Congress has required the President to certify every six months that El Salvador is "making progress" in five areas.

2. State has prepared its own, lengthy (30 pp) certification analysis. Last January there was no formal request for an independent intelligence assessment (though I prepared one for you in the event Congress raised questions). This time, Mr. Enders made a formal request on 14 July for an intelligence assessment by 28 July 1982.

3. Attached is a copy of the Intelligence Community assessment as it emerged from a meeting of NFIB Representatives held last Friday, 23 July 1982.

4. I am sending it to you for two reasons:

a. first, this will clearly be an item of strong Congressional interest, and I wanted you to review it personally;

b. second, you may want to consider presenting it to the formal NFIB meeting tomorrow.

5. The schedule of coming events on El Salvador certification includes testimony by Mr. Enders on Thursday, 29 July 1982, and by the Intelligence Community before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Monday, 2 August 1982.

6. This assessment and the forthcoming testimony is one of the items I wish to discuss with you at our 10:30 a.m. meeting tomorrow.

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